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Chairman Julius Genachowski
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: WT Docket 11-65

Dear Chairman Genachowski,

I am writing to encourage you to support the proposed merger of AT&T and T-Mobile. It is the mission of the Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative Corporation to promote economic development with an emphasis on providing opportunities to women, those with low income and minorities.

We feel that this is an enormous opportunity for Wisconsin's women and minority entrepreneurs. The acquisition will act as a launching pad for small businesses, providing improved wireless coverage, new technologies and increased Internet speeds. This investment in additional and improved infrastructure is critical for our businesses as they grow their workforce and stimulate the economy.

In addition, this merger will be a huge benefit to rural and small communities throughout the state, where many residents currently do not have access to high-speed Internet and other new technologies that many in urban areas enjoy. By combining these two companies' networks, AT&T will be able to significantly expand its network capacity – and provide increased mobile broadband availability and better voice and data services to many currently underserved areas of the state. In turn, this will enable these communities to grow, expand and better compete in the 21st century.

Finally, by expanding 4G LTE technology to nearly all Americans, this proposal will go a long way towards helping the President achieve his goal through the National Broadband Plan of connecting every part of America to the digital age. This will help promote economic growth, investment and job creation across the country – including right here in Wisconsin. Because of its many benefits to communities and families across Wisconsin, we strongly urge you to support this proposed acquisition.

Sincerely,

Wendy K. Baumann
Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative

CC: Commissioner Michael J. Copps
Commissioner Robert M. McDowell
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Commissioner Mignon Clyburn